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# Consider Along the Path...

- Stewardship:  
Do I see myself as an owner or a manager?
- Sacrifice:  
What do I love and cherish more?
- Rewards:  
Am I living for the 'here and now' or the 'there and then'?
- Giving Attitudes:  
Do I give 'with an attitude'?
- Commitment:  
"Whatever He says to you – do it!" (Jn 2:5)
- Faith:  
Am I willing to take the step?

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- Context
  - Spiritual encouragement – Rom 15:4  
Heb 10:32
  - From sex (vs. 4) to greed (vs. 5,6)!
    - Eph 5:3 (also I Cor 5:11; Col 3:5 etc.)

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- Content with What's At Hand (vs. 5a)
  - A matter of the heart
    - 'life' = the pattern of conduct that flows from attitudes, values and character; the person you are
    - See Matt 15:19 'for out of the heart come...'
    - True faith in Christ involves a renovation of heart, not just a reformation of behavior

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    - The love of money is not measured by how much you have, but how tightly you hold what you have.

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      - See Luke 3:14 – limit your demands or expectations
      - See I Tim 6:6-10 – don't expect more and more, avoid the trap that leads to grief

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    - 'With what you have'
      - See II Pet 1:12 - what's available currently
      - How much more is enough? Just a bit more!
      - Is it wrong to want more? See I Tim 6:6-10

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    - Deut 31:6,8; Joshua 1:5

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    - See word picture in Acts 27:40

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    - Assurance and courage in light of God's presence with us... Mark 6:50; Acts 23:11

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  - Note the context of the promise:  
*vs. 5 being content with what we have!*

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- Personal Application